

SHOE AND LEATHER MEN MEET HERE THIS WEEK

National Convention Opens at Jefferson Hotel on Tuesday Morning.

CONSIDER IMPORTANT REPORTS

Business Matters of Far-Reach- ing Importance to Be Discussed Affect- ing Wholesale Shoe and Leather Trades—Social Features.

Over 250 delegates and their wives will come to Richmond this week for the annual convention of the National Leather and Shoe Finders' Association, which will hold its initial session in the auditorium of the Jefferson Hotel Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock. The convention will last three days.

Extensive preparations are being made for the social and business sessions of the convention. Mayor Ainslie and Business Manager W. T. Dabney, of the Chamber of Commerce, will formally welcome the visitors on behalf of the city. After the opening ceremonies, the annual reports of the president, J. H. Martin, of Minneapolis; the secretary, George A. Knapp, of St. Louis, and Treasurer Frank W. Whit- ick, of Boston, will be presented, and will be the report of the association's delegate to the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

SOCIAL FEATURES

During the convention the delegates will hold an informal reception and smoker at the Jefferson, take an automobile ride, followed by luncheon at the Country Club of Virginia; visit the historical points around the city, and give the organization's twelfth annual banquet at the Jefferson. Practically every prominent manufacturer and jobber in the country affiliates with the association.

Following are the officers of the leather men: first vice-president, Henry Spies, Cleveland; second vice-president, Frank W. Hahn, Rochester; third vice-president, Edward J. Bosler, Louisville; fourth vice-president, Joseph P. Dunn, Denver; fifth vice-president, Charles Engstrom, Peoria.

The members of the executive committee are: T. W. Fagan, St. Louis (chairman); Henry Kleins, Chicago; Buchanan Harrar, Philadelphia; I. G. Adams, Spokane; Albert J. Ehlers, Chicago; Henry E. Bragg, St. Joseph; Peter Nutt, Jr., Indianapolis; Samuel W. Burchfield, San Francisco; Edward J. Bosler, Louisville; Joseph P. Dunn, Denver; Henry Sternberg, St. Paul; and Percy J. Straus, Richmond.

LARGE MANY EXPECTED TO ATTEND

The convention will attract the largest manufacturers of leather goods and allied industries in the United States. Practically every State in the Union will be represented. The delegates are expected to arrive today and tomorrow and there will be an unofficial session at 10 o'clock Monday morning for the purpose of registering delegates and facilitating the work for the opening of the convention on Tuesday. There are to be three sessions daily with smokers during the evenings.

The convention is to be called to order Tuesday morning, and after the formal opening there is to be a business session. At 10 o'clock Wednesday there will be a second business session, and at 9 o'clock that evening there is to be an informal smoker at the Jefferson. The convention goes through the day with sessions on Wednesday, with the exception of Wednesday evening, when the entire convention will adjourn to the Lyric Theater to witness the performance given there. On Thursday there will be the final business session. That afternoon there is to be an automobile ride for all delegates and their wives and daughters, and the convention closes with the banquet.

The convention was brought here through the invitations, this year also, made by Percy J. Straus and W. T. Dabney, the invitation being extended to Philadelphia. Last year the convention, which met in San Francisco, accepted the invitation previously given and chose Richmond.

SEVERAL RICHMOND MEN HOLD MEMBERSHIP

The association has two classes of members—those known as regular members, and who are jobbers of sole leather and shoe findings. Associated members are tanners of leather and manufacturers of rubber heels and other specialties distributed by jobbers. Practically all the large manufacturers of leather line are either regular or associated members. The two regular members of Virginia, both being of Richmond, are The Crescent Manufacturing Company and Percy J. Straus. Mr. S. Block & Sons are associate members, which company controls the American Lace Leather Company, sole leather cutters and the largest manufacturers of rawhide large leather in the world.

The local entertainment committee is composed of H. J. Myers, Jr., chairman; Percy J. Straus, J. W. Boston, T. W. Palmer, W. C. Nelson, Christian Clarke, Alvin M. Smith, Percy Sen- ton and Ira Y. Stern.

CUPID'S SPECIAL

Prospective Brides and Bridegrooms to Accompany Mrs. Gill to Wash- ington Tomorrow.

Cupid's annual Easter pilgrimage to Washington aboard Mrs. E. R. Gill's excursion, on which many Easter brides and others are expected to make the trip, will leave Richmond tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from Hancock and Broad Streets, returning to this city Wednesday night. Mrs. Gill will not only act as chaperon for the prospective brides, but will also aid other excursionists in visiting the points of interest in the national capital.

Baseball fans in large numbers are expected to be aboard the train, for Monday will be observed by many plants as a holiday, giving their workmen a chance to get out of the city for the day. Many persons will go from here to see the game between the Yankees and the Washington team Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday the Senators will play the Philadelphia Athletics.

LIQUOR CASES DISMISSED

Negro Accused of Having More Whisky Than Law Allows Goes Free.

Justice Crutchfield yesterday dismissed the case against John Smith, the negro arrested by Sergeants Johnson and Jordan several nights ago at the Main Street Station on a charge of having in his possession more whisky than is allowed by law. It was claimed by the negro that three white men purchased the liquor from L. Klewe and that each of them bought less than two gallons, the maximum allowed by law for a retail sale. As a result of this development the case against the saloon keeper was dismissed yesterday also. He had been charged with doing a wholesale business on a retail license.

Will Welcome Shoe and Leather Men



H. J. MYERS, JR., Chairman Reception Committee.



PERCY J. STRAUS, Chairman Finance Committee.



LEE A. WHITLOCK, Chairman Registration Committee.



J. W. BOSTON, Chairman Hotel Committee.

BIG CELEBRATION AT CLOSE OF PONY CONTEST

Remarkable Surprise Is Promised for Children of Richmond When the Fleischmann Herd Is Divided.

The proverbial and garrulous little bird has been busy about town. The little bird said this: "It's going to be the greatest, most remarkable surprise that the children of Richmond have ever had." And with a dip-dop of its wings and a flit of its tail was away to tip off someone else. The Fleischmann ponies are at the bottom of it. The big mystery that is now being whispered among the children, the wonderful and amazing surprise that will all children's hearts with delight, is going to be disclosed at the close of the Fleischmann pony contest.

Not only are the fifty big and valuable prizes, including two Indian motorcycles, Columbia bicycles, Victrolas and records, high-grade kodaks, and all the rest of the glittering galaxy of gifts to be given to the children who have hustled hardest in the pony contest, but the big surprise, the great feature of the day, is going to be enjoyed by every child in this city.

The seven beautiful Shetlands have become such pets with every child in town that it is only fitting that who they separate as the famous Fleischmann Shetland herd, each one going to his lucky little master or mistress, that a big celebration take place.

Y. M. C. A. CAMPAIGN

New Members Are Being Enrolled for Summer Course—Leaders Meet To-Morrow Night.

Considerable interest is being shown by leaders in the Y. M. C. A. summer campaign, and the first meeting will be held to-morrow night at 6:30 o'clock. Considerable work has already been done. Each of the leaders has had the past few days to line up candidates for admission, and this is the only lead that either one may obtain.

Beginning to-morrow night, both leaders, Generals Hawkins and Saunders, must make daily reports, and each will be able to keep track of the others' efforts. Already a large number of men have been secured for the summer rates, joining both voluntarily and by personal effort. Prospects are said to be for the best summer campaign in the history of the association.

MARKET MAN FINED

Convicted of Having for Sale Oysters Unfit for Human Consumption.

Justice Crutchfield yesterday fined Z. Dararaz \$25 and costs on a charge of displaying for sale at 1021 West Broad Street fish, oysters and chicken giblets unfit for human food. F. C. Breazeal, of the State Food and Dairy Commission, reported the store-keeper. The case against August Weiss, charged with exposing for sale as food the carcass of a diseased cow, was continued until May 6.

The Boy is Father to the Man

Old sayings like this are fraught with a most important meaning. And what will aid the expectant mother in conserving her health, her strength, her mental repose and the absence of vexatious pains is a splendid remedy known as "Mother's Friend." Applied the muscles it sinks in deeply to make them firm and pliant, it thus lifts the strain on ligaments that produce pain, it lightens the burden on the nervous system, induces calm, restful nights of health-giving sleep, and makes the days sunny and happy. Get a bottle of "Mother's Friend" of any druggist and you will then realize why it has been considered true to its name in our best homes through three generations. It is perfectly harmless but so effective that once used it is recommended to all expectant mothers by those who have passed through the ordeal with surprising ease. By writing to Bradfield Regulator Co., 412 Lamar Bldg., Atlanta, Ga., you can have a free copy of a wonderful book book these things which all expectant mothers delight to read. Write today.

BUSINESS MEN'S CAMP AROUSES DEEP INTEREST

Richmonders Looking Forward to Opening of Military Training School at Fort Oglethorpe.

IT WILL START ON MAY 4

Hope to Repeat Plattsburg Success in Georgia This Summer—Governor Stuart Appoints State Central Committee.

Business men in Richmond and throughout Virginia are looking forward with interest to the opening of the citizens' training camp this spring at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., which will be conducted during the summer months along lines similar to that at Plattsburg, N. Y., last year. May 4 has been set as the opening day.

So successful was the trial camp at Plattsburg, N. Y., last summer, when hundreds of business men discarded plans for spending the vacation period at fashionable summer resorts and devoted that time to learning something of the art of defense, that many such institutions will be inaugurated this year in various sections of the country. Several institutions in Virginia have already indicated their purpose to give their employees desiring to attend the Georgia camp an extra vacation with pay.

EXPECT 2,000 FROM SOUTH TO TAKE PART

Both Adjutant-General Sale and Colonel "Campsey," who represented Virginia at the conference that resulted in a determination to establish the camp at Fort Oglethorpe, are convinced that it will be a marked success. It is estimated that something like 2,000 men from the Southern States will attend.

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Medicine Academy to Meet

The Richmond Academy of Medicine and Surgery will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the Chamber of Commerce building. Papers will be read by Dr. W. H. Higgins on "The Psychological Clinic—Its Functions and Obligations," and by Dr. H. Stuart MacLean on "Surgical Lesions of the Treatment of Gonorrhea." There will also be a report from the Judiciary committee.

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DRY GOODS MEN OF SOUTH MEET HERE NEXT MONTH

Fifth Annual Convention of Big Association Opens at Jefferson on May 3.

ALL MEMBERS TO ATTEND

Local Reception Committee Is Planning Royal Welcome for Visitors, Who Will Come to Richmond From All States in Dixie.

Prominent dry goods men from every section of the South, stretching from West Virginia to Florida, will gather in Richmond next month for the fifth annual convention of the Southern Wholesale Dry Goods Association, which will hold a three-day session at the Jefferson Hotel, beginning on May 3. Norman H. Johnson, of this city, secretary of the association, has just returned from a four weeks' visit to the membership of the association, and announces that every member expects to be present.

The Southern Wholesale Dry Goods Association, although confined to the South, is the largest organization of the trade in the United States. It embraces over 96 per cent of the jobbers in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Louisiana, North and West Virginia. The subjects of discussion during the convention will be pertinent to the jobbing trade.

GOVERNOR START TO WELCOME THE VISITOR

At the opening session, which will be held in the auditorium of the Jefferson Hotel at 10 o'clock on the morning of May 3, Governor Stuart will welcome the delegates on behalf of the State, and Mayor Ainslie will extend the welcome of the city. Response will be made by Colonel Alfred H. Williams, of Nashville, Tenn.

Following the opening ceremonies, E. W. King, of Bristol, Tenn., president of the association, will deliver his annual address. The report of the treasurer, James F. Lee, of Roanoke;

WOMEN SHOULD GET THIS HABIT AS WELL AS MEN

Don't eat bite of breakfast until you drink glass of hot water.

Happy, bright, alert—vigorous and vivacious—a good clear skin, a natural, rosy complexion and freedom from those assured only by clean, healthy blood. If only every woman and likewise every man could realize the wonders of the morning inside bath, what a gratifying change would take place.

Instead of the thousands of sickly, anemic-looking men, women and girls with pasty or muddy complexions; instead of the multitudes of "nervous wrecks," "run-downs," "brain fags" and pessimists we should see a virile, optimistic throng of rosy-cheeked people everywhere.

An inside bath is had by drinking, each morning before breakfast, a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to wash from the stomach, liver, kidneys and ten yards of bowels the previous day's indigestible waste, sour fermentations and poisons, thus cleansing, sweetening and freshening the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach.

Those subject to sick headache, biliousness, nasty breath, rheumatism, colds; and particularly those who have a pallid, sallow complexion and who are constipated very often, are urged to obtain a quarter pound of limestone phosphate at the drug store, which will cost but a trifle but is sufficient to demonstrate the quick and remarkable change in both health and appearance awaiting those who practice internal sanitation. We must remember that inside cleanliness is more important than outside, because one skin does not absorb impurities to contaminate the blood, while the pores in the thirty feet of bowels do.

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The secretary, Norman H. Johnson, of Richmond, and of the various districts will follow. The morning session will conclude with a general discussion, which will be preceded by an address by H. E. Nason, of New York, on "Auditing and Accounting in the Jobbing Business." Addresses by prominent jobbers will be made each day during the convention, and a general discussion engaged in by the members. There will be several entertainments and sightseeing tours.

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